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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

KIM et al.

Application No.: 09/687,281

Filed: October 13, 2000

For: INJECTABLE CARRIER  
FORMULATIONS OF  
HYALURONIC ACID  
DERIVATIVES FOR DELIVERY  
OF OSTEOGENIC PROTEINS



) Group Art Unit: 1651

) Examiner: J. Weber

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2004, please consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper on page 6.

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